

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 29  
By West

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Roy and Becky Startup on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 1954, Roy Startup and Becky Smith were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Startup have been highly respected citizens of the Donelson community for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Roy Startup is retired from Union Planters Bank; during his exemplary tenure there, he worked with acumen and alacrity and earned the respect of his peers and supervisors alike for the superior quality of his work and his dedication to duty, both of which were developed in his youth while working for his family's business, Startup Meat Market; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Startup left her position at National Life in order to cultivate a safe and loving home for her family; the epitome of the dedicated homemaker, Mrs. Startup transformed the Startup's home into a sanctuary of beauty, warmth and hospitality through her remarkable fidelity and extraordinary attentiveness; for many years, she truly has made their house a home in which all are welcomed and loved, thereby exemplifying the highest form of this sacred institution; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced four children, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; the Startup's children are Susan, Buddy, Don, and Jimmy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Startup recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a celebration at the Fifth Quarter Restaurant which was graced with the presence of family and friends; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Startup's are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Roy and Becky Startup on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.